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| 9 | DISTRICT OF NEVADA | |
| 10 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |) |
| 11 | Plaintiff, |)) 2:12-CR-391(LDG)(VCF) |
| 12 | v. |) |
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| 14 | MARISSA LAPID, | |
| 15 | Defendant. |)) |
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| 18 | GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO AMEND ORDER ISSUED AT DEFENDANT'S CHANGE OF PLEA HEARING TO PAY FORFEITURE JUDGMENT TO THE CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY | |
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| 21 | On October 29, 2012, defendant, Marissa Lapid, was indicted on one count of bulk | |
| 22 | cash smuggling, in violation of 31U.S.C. § 5332 and one count of conspiracy to structure | |
| 23 | transactions with the intent to evade reporting requirements in violation of 31 U.S.C. | |
| 24 | § 5324(a)(3). At her change of plea hearing that occurred on October 29, 2012, the | |
| 25 | defendant pled guilty to both counts of the indictment. This Court also entered a | |
| 26 | preliminary order of forfeiture against the defe | endant at that hearing. That preliminary |
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order of forfeiture ordered the defendant to forfeit \$40,000.00 in United States currency and also imposed a forfeiture money judgment against the defendant in the amount of \$159,700.00, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. §\$5317(c)(1) and 5332(b)(2). (The defendant had agreed to the forfeiture amounts in her signed plea agreement with the United States.)

At her change of plea hearing, the defendant requested that she be permitted to pay the forfeiture judgment of \$159,700.00 prior to sentencing, and this Court granted that request.

Court Clerk records indicate that on November 6, 2012, the defendant paid the \$159,700.00 forfeiture judgment with a check that she gave to the Clerk of this Court. That check has been deposited into the registry of this Court.

The Immigrations and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations is the federal agency that sponsored this criminal investigation; and it is the agency that should receive the proceeds that have been ordered forfeited by the Court so that those funds can be deposited into the appropriate Treasury Asset Forfeiture Fund account. A check to receive these funds should be made payable to the Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection which processes forfeitures for Homeland Security Investigations.

Because the defendant has deposited this money with the registry of the Court, in satisfaction of the forfeiture judgment entered against her, she has no interest or stake in where the money is directed within the federal government. (In any event, a copy of this motion has been served on defendant's counsel.)

If this Court does not order the payment of the forfeiture judgement to the Customs and Border Patrol, the money will remain in the registry of this Court, *ad infinitum*, rather

1 than in the United States Department of Treasury Asset Forfeiture Fund where it should 2 be deposited. 3 For all of the foregoing reasons, the United States asks that this Court order that 4 the Clerk of this Court, pay \$159,700.00, drawn on the Clerk's Registry and made 5 payable to Customs and Border Protection. 6 7 8 Respectfully submitted, 9 DANIEL G. BOGDEN 10 United States Attorney 11 /s/ Michael A. Humphreys MICHAEL A. HUMPHREYS 12 Assistant United States Attorney 13 14 **PROOF OF SERVICE** 15 I, Ray Southwick, certify that on February 8, 2013, the foregoing Government's 16 Motion to Amend the Preliminary Order of Forfeiturewas served on Defendant's Counsel by the below identified method of service: 17 18 U.S. Mail 19 Michael Mascarello The Bach Law Firm 20 6053 South Forth Apache Rd. 21 Suite 130 Las Vegas, NV 22 89148 23 **ORDER** /s/ Ray Southwick 24 Ray Southwick IT IS SO ORDERED. DATED this _____ day of February, 25 26 3

Lloyd D. George Sr. U.S. District Judge